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Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

With respect to Applicants' claim of priority, Applicants would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following court decision:

- Decision of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in *Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc. v. Medtronic Vascular, Inc.*, No. 2006-1434, dated August 8, 2007 (affirming the Memorandum Opinion and Final Judgment of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in *Scimed Life Systems, Inc. v. Medtronic Vascular, Inc. and Eric C. Martin*, Civil Case No. 01-2015 (RJL) dated March 31, 2006).

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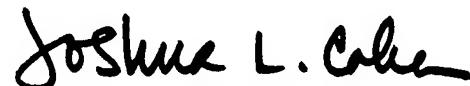
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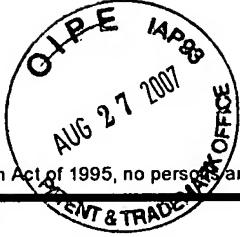
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